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Lions Club member Colleen Moore on the return of bingo



Bryn Weese/TIMES

A crazy way to celebrate

This family certainly got in the spirit of Canada Day when they created this colourful raft to compete in the July 1 Crazy River Raft Race along the Gull River. There are more Canada Day photos on page 3.

Bingo is back

Province-wide smoking ban prompts Lions Club to give popular weekly fundraiser another try

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

The bingo-less Thursday nights for the Minden Lions Club have gone on for far too long, and now with the entire province smoke-free, the Lions bingo is back in business.

This past Thursday night, the Minden Community Centre marked the end of a 151-week drought without bingo for the Minden Lions Club, which in its heyday brought in over \$50,000 annually for the service club.

But since 1991 when the Lions began their weekly bingo fundraiser, there have been numerous hurdles set up by the provincial government to thwart their efforts to raise funds for the community, such as increased taxes on funds raised through gambling and increased permits and paperwork.

Ultimately, it was a municipal bylaw that ended the Lions bingo nights. In the summer of 2003, Minden Hills council decided that the community centre, and all township buildings, would be

smoke-free. Numbers dwindled as bingo enthusiasts went elsewhere where they could smoke. Eventually, the Lions club couldn't afford to run their event.

However, says Lion Brian Moore, now that everyone is smoke-free they can once again try their hand at fundraising through bingo.

"The nice thing about all of this is that it's a fundraiser for the club but it's also something the community enjoys," said the

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Plane crashes into Kawagama

A pilot and his passenger are lucky to be alive after their plane crashed into Kawagama Lake on Canada Day.

The OPP says a single engine 1946 Champ float plane had taken off from Kawagama Lake near Dorset and had climbed to an altitude of approximately 100 feet. The plane then lost air speed because of a decrease in wind shear and went into a stall and crashed into the lake.

Boaters on the lake sped to the scene and assisted the pilot, 20-year-old Austin Hadfield of Utopia, and his passenger, 46-year-old Charlie Czouck of Thornton, who were taken to Huntsville Hospital and treated for minor injuries.

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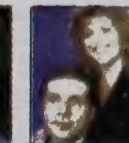
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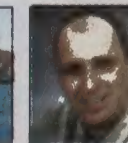
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Lions Club President Walli Reed. "It's a win-win situation."

And the participants at Thursday's first bingo in three years agree.

"I think this is great," said Sandi Bradley who was very enthusiastic about bingo's return. "In the past this has been a good fundraiser and now they can give back to the community again."

"If I'm having a little fun while making a donation, then great," she added. "Even if I don't win, I'm happy."

Bruce Cummings, who was a regular bingo player with the Lions before they stopped three years ago, is glad to be able to come back again, even if now he will have to come alone. Cummings used to be accompanied by his wife who, sadly, passed away eight months ago.

Lions bingo is as much about the experience as it is winning. Many who were at the Lions' bingo rebirth on Thursday said they were more interested in spending time with friends than winning.

Luckily for them, Colleen Moore, Brian's wife – and also actively involved in the Minden Lions and Lioness Clubs –, says that they will definitely continue to run the bingo every Thursday night throughout the summer. The only caveat is that if the bingo doesn't attract large crowds and at least pay for itself, then the Lions will have to shut it down again.

"The best part is hearing the regulars coming in and saying, 'We're glad you're back'," said Moore. "But we need to more than break even to make it worth our while."

The costs to run the bingo are namely gambling permits and the hall rental, but also, of course are the payouts to the winners.

"The prize board will go up as more people come out," said Moore. "We're having to start again from the beginning."

Unfortunately, Thursday night's bingo did not raise enough funds to pay for itself. But, as Moore says, it's early days yet.

The Minden Lions Club will be hosting their bingo fundraiser every Thursday night at the Minden Community Centre. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the first draw is at 7 p.m..



When Minden Hills imposed a smoking ban in the community centre, bingo players took their dabbers elsewhere. The Lions Club had no choice but to shut down. Now, members such as Scott Moore, at far left, are glad to be volunteering every Thursday night again.

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The Highland Cruisers' display of classic automobiles from all eras was a big hit with the crowd on Saturday in Minden.



The McKenna family - Bruce, Elizabeth and Chris - who holidays on Jay Lake, never miss a Canada Day in Minden.

Top: Local MP Barry Devolin and MPP Laurie Scott enjoyed Minden's celebrations as much as young George Devolin enjoyed this, hopefully, harmless snake.



Kids, flags and clowns on stilts are all part of Canada's birthday.

Centre: Renee Calbert donned a beautiful maple leaf face painting to celebrate Canada's 139th birthday.

PHOTOS BY BRYN WEESE

Minden celebrates Canada Day!

Thank you, goodbye and good luck

ASES graduates prepare to move on to HHSS

by BRYN WEESE
Times staff

It may be hard to say goodbye but, with abounding pomp and circumstance, that's exactly what the Grade 8 students of Archie Stouffer Elementary School did this past Wednesday when they graduated from the only school many of them have ever known.

Wednesday night's ceremony was not only the time for the students to bid farewell to the school and its staff. It was also a graduation

tion for Principal Rick Thorne, who is moving on to new halls and classrooms in Muskoka.

"Like the Grade 8s, I'll be at a new school in September," Thorne told the audience. "It's been my privilege to be your principal. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of the Archie Stouffer experience. I'll remember it always."

And who wouldn't?

During their address, co-Prime Ministers Kaitlin Allore and J.J. Kerr made it clear that Thorne will always be welcome in the Highlands. In fact, the two Prime Ministers even went so far as to invite him to their high school graduation in 2010. They then presented him with a graduation cap of his own for doing such a good job at ASES.

Earlier in the evening, a series of encouraging speeches from the ASES staff and Valerie Smith, the local school board trustee, was an opportunity for the teachers and administrators to explain to parents, as much as to the students, what graduation was all about.

Smith said it best, offering a defense of tears on such a night.

"Graduation is a time of happiness, to be somewhat emotional and also very, very proud," she said. "It is time to close one

The ASES honours and scholar students, from left to right, Katie Hillier, Peter Markowski, Kaitlin Allore, Michael Calaghan, Kelsey Crowe, JJ Kerr and Erin Poitier.



The winners of the individual awards were all smiles on graduation night. Front row from left to right is: Erica McMartin, Kaitlin Allore, Ashley Mann, Kelsey Crowe, Skylar Pratt and Erin Poitier. Back row is Jeff Sharpless, Eric Whitty, JJ Kerr, Chris Allison, Nicholas Botticella, Peter Markowski, Alex Monk-Cray and Tanner Cowen.

door and open another. Take what you have learned here at Archie Stouffer with you."

For the parents, the awards ceremony offered the chance they had been waiting for all night: photos of their children accepting awards and graduation certificates and parading confidently on and off stage.

Three students in particular: Kaitlin Allore, Kelsey Crowe and J.J. Kerr, offered their parents ample photo opportunities. The three of them finished top of their respective Grade 8 classes in several courses.

The 2006 Archie Stouffer Elementary

School graduates are as follows:

Teacher Kathy Adams' class

Christopher Allison, Josselyn Allison, Danielle Amodeo, Hillary Anderson, Dan Boisvert, Kelsei Campbell, Tanner Cowan, Kyle Dollo, Warren George, Dylan Graham, Megan Havill, Adam Herd, Brett Hicks, Kimberly Kasechuk, J.J. Kerr, Cody Kimble, Tim Litwin, Evan Luke, Ashley McRae, Gregory Oitment, Adam Pavlinic, Skylar Pratt, Zachery Simpson, Florian Sperber, Caitlin Stafford, Emma Stephens, Piotr Swiezawski, Matthew Try, Alexander Vassos, and Eric Whitty

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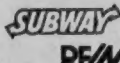
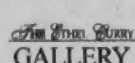
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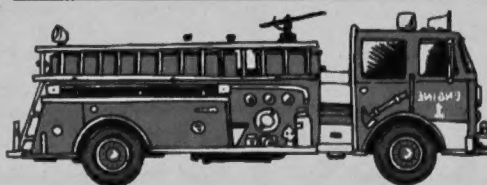
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Awards honour students and highlight potential of Grade 8 graduates for future

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Teacher Elizabeth Bloomfield's class

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Teacher Mrs. Clarke's class

Michael Callaghan, Kelsey Crowe, Christina Deboer, Erica Macmartin, Anthony Manas-Chmielowski, Peter Markowski, Donald Murdoch, John Norton, Dylan Reynolds, Jeff Sharpless and Alex Treharne

Individual plaque recipients are as follows:

Provincial Honours, at least 80 per cent in all areas: J.J. Kerr, Kelsey Crowe, Kaitlin Allore

ASES Scholar, 78-79 per cent in all subject areas or honours: Erin Pottier, Michael Callaghan, Katie Hillier, Peter Markowski.

Provincial Honours, at least 80 per cent in all areas Grade 7: Teghan Dodds

Alan Walker Memorial Award: Ashley Mann

This award is given to a student who has been of great assistance to teachers and students. The student is not recognized for academic achievement but for their willingness to be supportive and readily willing to help the adults at school and to their peers. They are

pleasant to work with and show great initiative.

Tim Harrison Memorial Award: Kelsey Crowe

This award is given to a student with honours in music and who has contributed to the school music program. Co-operative towards all staff.

Elementary Teacher's Federation Arts Award for top arts mark in each class: J.J. Kerr, 8A; Kaitlin Allore, 8B; Kelsey Crowe, 8C.

Arcadia Masonic Lodge Award: Skylar Pratt; 8A

This award is given to a student who has worked very hard to overcome their disability.

Minden Hills Museum History Award for top history mark in each class: J.J. Kerr, 8A; Kaitlin Allore, 8B; Kelsey Crowe, 8C.

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce Mathematics Award for top math mark in each class: J.J. Kerr, 8A; Nicholas Botticella, 8B; Peter Markowski, 8C.

T.D. Canada Trust English Award for top English mark in each class: JJ Kerr, 8A; Kaitlin Allore, 8B; Kelsey Crowe, 8C.

Sears Minden Award: Tanner Cowan, Eric Whitley, Jeff Sharpless.

Archie Stouffer Elementary School French Award: J.J. Kerr, 8A; Kaitlin Allore, 8B, Kelsey Crowe, Peter Markowski, 8C.

Athletic Achievement Award: Alex Monk-Cray, Marjorie Voiccey.

This award is given to a male and female student with the top mark in physical education. They should be a student who has participated in a numerous amount of school run sports activities and teams.

Athletic Sportsmanship Award: Chris Allison, Erin Potter.

Horseshoe Lake Science and Technology for top science mark in each class: J.J. Kerr, 8A; Kaitlin Allore, 8B; Kelsey Crowe, 8C.

A.S.E.S Geography Award for top geograph mark in each class: J.J. Kerr, 8A; Kaitlin Allore, 8B; Kelsey Crowe, 8C.

Sarah Bloomfield Award: Erica MacMartin.

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Prime Ministers: J.J. Kerr, Kaitlin Allore.

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Principal Award (Grade 4-7 Student): Teghan Dodds.

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Brandon Thomas was one of three graduates who wore a tuxedo to ASES's graduation - not only a tux, but tails as well. Photos by Bryn Weese.

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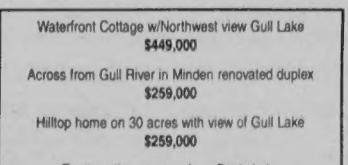
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NEWSPAPERS ARE A WORK IN PROGRESS. They are constantly re-defining themselves as both purveyors of news and as businesses that have to adapt to a world of constant change.

Last week's editorial was a form of musing aloud about how to best cover what's important to the community. There's no doubt that the newspaper is highly supportive of the efforts of the Minden Business Improvement Area. The BIA's re-incarnation as an enthusiastic believer in the town's potential is highly commendable. Its members' willingness to pitch in and do something positive was even more laudable. Our coverage of its re-emergence and first project was a way of proudly stating, "The BIA is back and better than ever!"

But how much coverage should any one organization get? Perhaps that's a discussion that would have been better held with the BIA in private, but the editorial was also a conversation with readers to explain why, week after week, there was so much focus on the BIA's activities. It was saying there was a reason to focus so heavily on what the BIA was doing in the early stages but also tried to explain why that coverage would not be as intense in future weeks. It was not meant in any way to be dismissive of the BIA's achievements thus far.

Like all businesses in Minden, the *Times* will only survive if it provides what its consumers want. Readers must be made to feel that the stories and photos in the paper are relevant to their lives. Sure it's impossible to please all people at all times, but it tries to give everyone at least one reason to read through its pages every week.

Community newspapers are held to a different standard than our city cousins. We are expected to be community supporters. There's not the detachment that allows journalists to be outside observers instead of partners in community boosterism. For the most part, community newspapers gladly fill that role. Grade 8 graduates in Toronto would never expect to have their photo in the *Toronto Star*. No community group would expect to have a photo taken of their good works. We provide that sort of coverage here because we believe it's all of these little things put together that make Minden the strong community it is.

But problems arise because we are seen to be part of the community instead of detached observers. What happens when there's a reason to criticize what a group or person does? Do we remain silent because we're afraid of hurting the feelings of people we like and respect? How will the other readers respond if they feel the newspaper does not take a stand on local issues?

Every business owner could tell you how they'd do a better job if this was a perfect world. Here at the *Times*, we'd have more resources to not only cover all the things we're asked to, but we could also spend more of our time searching out the stories that are important to people. We'd ask questions that explore the undercurrents of life here in Minden as well as chronicle all the activities on the surface.

Water levels, the imminent closure of our dumps, the challenges facing local businesses: all of those are stories that we want to cover. We won't do it at the expense of all the events that we're asked to cover but we'll wish that we could do it all - better.

Martha Perkins

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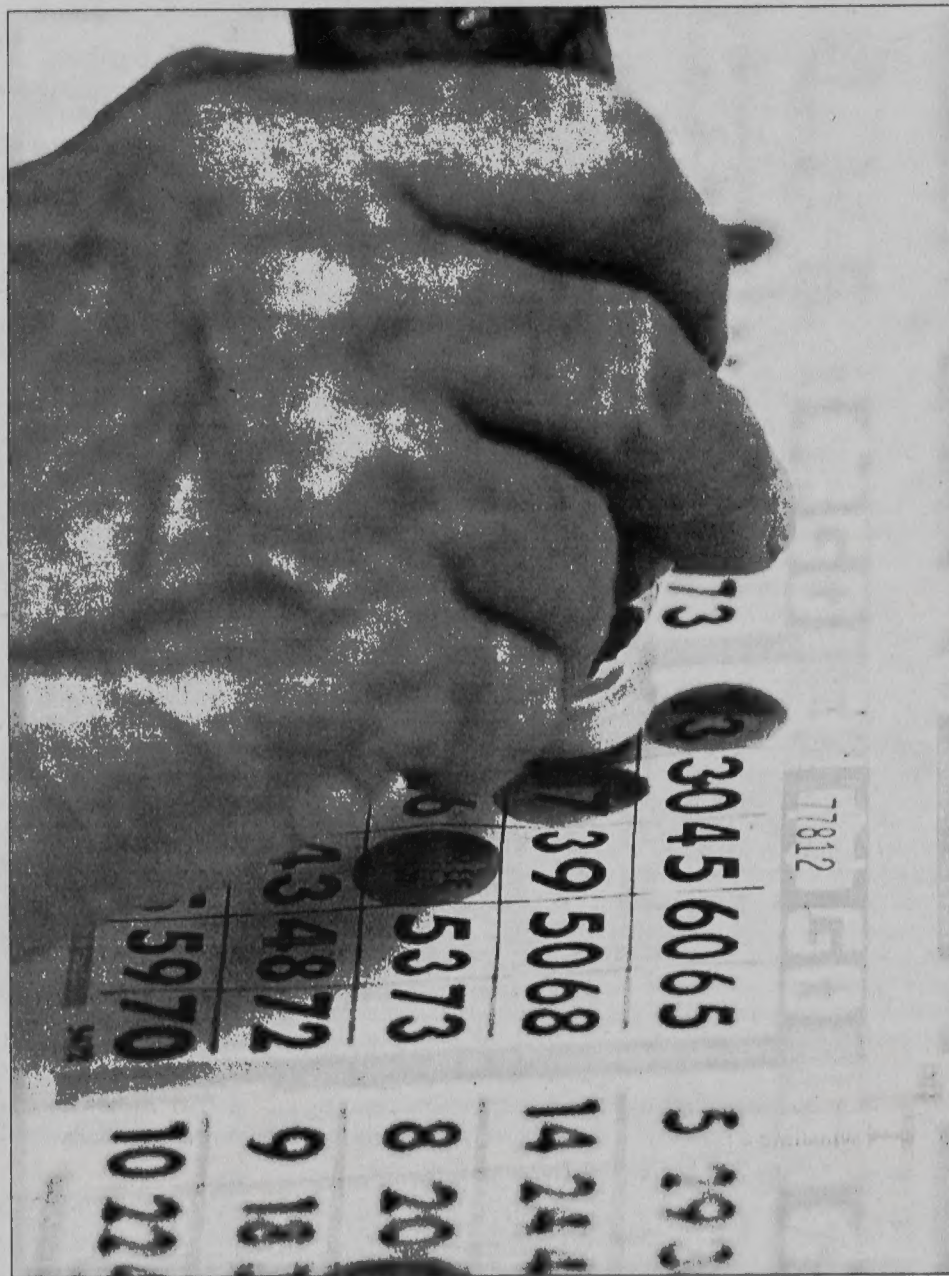
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IMAGES OF THE HIGHLANDS

Bingo's back

Photo by Bryn Weese

TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Editorial was an unfair ambush on the BIA

To the Editor:

I am not sure who was being aimed at in your last editorial Re: Revitalization of Minden - June 28; however, your aim was off and you hit many.

What an unnecessary ambush and such an obvious lack of community spirit. To say that your newspaper has been saturated by the new BIA and its revitalization project is a gross exaggeration. The effort made to clean up Minden by the many volunteers should be both recognized and commended as many times as necessary and as many photo-ops as possible. After all, is it not the job of a community news-

paper to cover the news of the community?

When you criticize the BIA you are criticizing many of Minden's local residents of which I am one. If you think I am taking this too personally, you are absolutely right. I for one am extremely proud of all of the volunteers who stepped forward to help clean up our town and I will continue to support the efforts of our BIA in whatever way I can, executive or no executive.

If there is going to be a "hiccup," as you most unkindly suggested, it will come from our local newspaper because of your lack of interest or fear of saturation.

Deborah Lyons Kellett.
Minden

BIA's efforts are worth supporting

To the Editor:

Re: June 28 editorial

As a member of the MBA (Minden Business Association) I would like to thank the Minden *Times* for its coverage

regarding the Clean Minden Initiative to date. It is important that the members of our community realize the efforts that the people of the MBA have made to make Minden an attractive and pleasant village
see WHY page 8

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

I was only doing my job

Sometime it's not easy being a delusional columnist, and early Monday morning was one of those times. Not only did I have to put the finishing touches on a great literary work, but I also had to save the world. When you think about it, it's a wonder I remain humble.

For those who went about their Monday morning without looking up into the sky through an extremely high-powered telescope, let me just tell you that we citizens of earth barely averted disaster. That's right another asteroid just about got us.

I don't think I need to explain how dangerous this is, especially for those of you who remember the game "Asteroids", but suffice it to say, this might have made front-page news.

Called XP14, presumably because the names XP1 to XP13 were taken, this half-mile-wide chunk of intergalactic mayhem missed us by a mere 269,000 miles. Maybe I'm overly cautious, but I ducked anyways.

Needless to say, contact with a half-mile-wide asteroid could, quite possibly, ruin your day. Scenarios include it taking

up all the best parking spots near your favourite store or putting a chip in your windshield. I'm sure there are other equally tragic consequences but I think I've already been graphic enough.

Fortunately for everyone, I had a double serving of chili on Sunday evening. This might not have seemed fortunate at the time, mind you, especially to my wife and kids, but as we shall see, it proved quite fortuitous for all the denizens of this planet.

Here is an official timeline:

Monday morning 3 am:
The asteroid is hurtling towards earth at speeds approaching those attained by my old souped-up Pinto, possibly even faster.

3:01 a.m.: The first unsettled rumblings occur in the vicinity of my colon. The owls and crickets become suddenly silent.

3:02 a.m.: The asteroid continues tumbling towards earth, picking up speed.

3:04 a.m.: I utter the historic words, "It

wasn't me..." and quietly point to our Labrador retriever who sleeps innocently at the foot of the bed.

3:05 a.m.: I am fluffing up my pillow on the couch.

3:06 a.m.: I realize that a deadly threat is, at this very moment, travelling through time and space at incredible speeds and heating up with every mile travelled. This horrible force of nature, I muse, threatens life as we know it and, unless the impact is avoided, it will leave a crater the size of Quebec. I determine that I must do everything in my power to prevent it.

3:07 a.m.: It occurs to me that the asteroid is probably dangerous too.

3:08 a.m.: I step outside in an effort to save the living room and lower level of our house. Paint on the walls is already peeling and several plants are wilting; I fear it is too late.

3:09 a.m.: I call my wife and instruct her to take the kids and dogs to the root cellar. I then confess that it wasn't the

dog.

3:10 a.m.: I look up and see what I think is a bright little white dot falling from the sky. I suspect that the asteroid might be getting closer.

3:11 a.m.: While walking on the front lawn and looking up to the stars, I trip on one of the kids' toys, a plastic lawn mower of all things, and plummet face first into the turf. As I hit the ground, I have what gastroenterologists refer to as "a mishap." Fortunately, it is a well-aimed mishap.

3:12 a.m.: The hot air, incredible winds, and sonic boom from said mishap rise with such force and fury that the orbit of the asteroid is deflected. It now passes on the other side of the moon. And, by moon, I mean the earth's this time.

3:13 a.m.: It is, once again, a beautiful night outside. The stars are shining, the air is almost fresh, and, for some unknown reason, there is not a mosquito within two hundred yards. I receive a thumbs-up from a passing skunk.

3:28 a.m.: My wife has hidden the chilli. The world is, once again, safe. I have a column to write.



BEYOND35

Steve Galea

Up in smoke

Fixx comes through the door whistling a jaunty tune that brings the waitress Gretchen and The Brown Dog Jiggs running from opposite corners of the Sapsucker Arms tearoom. "Stop it right there, buddy," shouts Gretchen and then, more calmly, "You will never whistle that tune in this tearoom again."

It sounds like an outburst to Fixx, who stops whistling on command. Jiggs, who thought the whistle was a command, realizes his mistake and slinks back to the corner where he has been basking in the sunshine that leaks through the slits in the Venetian blinds.

Fixx has arrived in fine fettle after a morning of flirting with the widow from the island at the annual meeting of the Horned Grebe Lake Cottagers Association. The HGLCA, Inc.

Dressed as he is and frozen in place by Gretchen's wrath, he looks like the cover of an old Sinatra album. He is wearing the only snap-brim in Haliburton County, tilted just so, and a pale blue blazer is flung back over his shoulder, dangling from two fingers.

He felt pretty cool until just a moment ago. Now he looks dapper but also confused. His Horned Grebe neighbours, Young Robicheaux and Old Delahanty,

are enjoying the show while they sip sarsaparilla and wolf down gooseberry scones.

"The problem is the words to the song you were whistling, not the tune," Delahanty tells Fixx and then begins to croak out the lyrics of *Two Sleepy People*. Jiggs puts his paws over his ears.

"Here we are, out of cigarettes," rasps Delahanty, hitting each note with no more than a glancing blow. "Holding hands and yawning — look how late it gets."

Gretchen stands there, dish towel in hand, arms akimbo, livid. "I should hope you are out of cigarettes. No whistling, no singing or whatever sound it is you were just making, about cigarettes. That goes for both of you."

And then Fixx changes his tune and starts whistling *These Foolish Things*, and Delahanty starts wheezing, "A cigarette that bears a lipstick's traces," and Gretchen swats him with her towel.

"Think of the health police!" she cries. "This is Ontario and the tearoom is a public place. You are not allowed to sing

about or talk about or think about or even think about thinking about tobacco while you are in this room.

"You can walk naked into this restaurant and unless you have a cigarette draped from your lips, the health police and I will pay you no never mind, but one more word about tobacco and you are both barred from this place for life."

The six of them, including Jiggs, pause for a moment to contemplate the spectacle of Fixx walking naked through the tearoom door. None of

them think it would be a good idea.

Young Robicheaux, who had never heard either tune until Fixx

whistled it, grunts. "You mean we can't think any more about Jim Carrey saying 'Smoking' in *The Mask*. Or about Cheech and Chong's *Up in Smoke*, except they're smoking dope, so maybe that's okay."

Delahanty feels a rant building up steam. "Do you know that there are anti-smoking groups that actually count the number of times cigarettes are smoked in movies and TV shows? They want to edit



BACK OF BEYOND

Neil Campbell

out Bogart's cigarettes."

"Somebody should have," says Gretchen. "They killed him."

"That's not the point," says Fixx. "The point is that movies, even *Up in Smoke*, and plays and songs are supposed to be art, not propaganda."

"Art is supposed to reflect or illuminate our lives but it can only do that by showing reality. Leave out the offensive bits and there's no point to it."

Delahanty thinks there is no point to *Up in Smoke* anyhow. "Cigarettes sure make it easier for the script-writer. It used to be, you dressed the bad guy in black; now you just give him a cigarette."

Robicheaux chimes in. "Remember that old TV show, *The X-Files*. There was a character called Cancer Man; when you saw smoke curling from a cigarette set in a glass ashtray, you knew evil incarnate had arrived even before you saw him."

"They talk about second-hand smoke, but second-hand speeding kills, too," says Delahanty. "Smokers are treated like the scum of the earth, but we don't make pariahs of dads who boast about driving their kids from the city to the cottage in 90 minutes."

Says Gretchen, gently now, "Maybe we should."

Where is political will to take on water levels?

To the Editor:

The headline "Find a better way to manage Trent-Severn Waterway" on page 11 of *The Times*, June 28th, 2006 was right on the money.

The negative remark attributed to the Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey causes me some concern in view of the fact that there is a motion on the floor at the

House of Commons that could lead to a modern program for regulating the flow of water from the reservoir lakes.

This is also election year! Where is the support from the local politicians? What is the position of the reeves of Haliburton County and Minden Hills? This is an issue that affects the whole area, not just the Gull River or Horseshoe Lake and not just Minden Hills, but also Dysart et al.

I understand that this issue has been around a long time, but let's not give up on it and let's work together. By September of this year I hope to have taxpayer representation from all 37 lakes in the Haliburton watershed working to lobby for adequate funding to at least begin the complex project of updating (from 1906) the method of water draw-down. With strong local political sup-

port, we might just accomplish something!

Bonnie Fleischaker
Horseshoe Lake

Letters continue on
pages 8, 10 and 11

Don't bite the hand that feeds you

To the Editor:

Wow - I want to commend you on your editorial entitled "The BIA has flown the coop", June 28. It took a lot of guts to write that editorial - it's not everyone who would publicly bite off the hand that feeds them. Then again, your job as a reporter for the "community newspaper" is not to be concerned about the welfare and prosperity of the community and its businesses but rather to print a newspaper which contains enough advertising dollars.

As a business in the downtown core of our community, and one that is quick to criticize the efforts of those who

obviously care, I'd be interested in knowing what constructive part the Times has played in assisting the BIA with their efforts! Of course, other than being a "mouth-piece for the BIA", as you put it!

Funny, I have not witnessed any significant improvement to the Times building nor have I seen any clean up efforts to the disgusting pile of debris out the back. I have not noticed any Times staff or management stepping up to the plate with their sleeves rolled up, getting their hands dirty and truly and actively supporting our town, its business community or their efforts. So, it is obvious your newspaper is the exception because you graciously "report" on the activities and therefore do not actually have to participate in the efforts put forth. Mr. Weese, as the saying goes - "If you're not part of the solution, you must be part of the problem!"

Instead of saying "We'll be watching" perhaps a better idea would be to get off your duffs and put a little effort forward yourselves. Instead of criticizing, putting forth some great idea and helping to implement them. Instead of worrying about reporting on a "hiccup", be right there trying to help solve it along with the other business owners.

Perhaps the time has come for the Times to step up to the plate, show you actually care and then and only then can you boast about being the community's only "real paper"!

Paul Hicks
Maple Lake

Autumn Robinson
Minden

Clean up your own act

To the Editor:

Re: June 28 editorial

I have been reading the Times and the Echo weekly for over 16 years. To me, your coverage of the BIA activities has not seemed excessive. In fact, it's your job to do so. Your editorial leaves me wondering if you and the Times are members of the BIA. Whether you are or not, I respectfully suggest that you clean-up the steadily-accumulating junk alongside the building of the Times.

Why not talk first?

from page 6

to visit and do business in. This type of coverage is why the Times has won numerous awards over the past years for being an outstanding community newspaper.

Your point is well taken that there are difficult decisions to be made in the future - decisions which will involve commitment, time and a lot of money. Our members are doing the best they can to encourage participation and teamwork in those endeavours.

However, I do not understand why Mr. Weese felt it necessary to write an editorial intimating that the BIA was receiving preferential treatment and that now "The BIA will have to fight for its space in the paper as does any other group". If Mr. Weese felt this way, he could have attended one of our meetings and informed us of his viewpoint.

It is also important that the local paper understand that the BIA, which had been dormant for the past eight years, was changed to the Minden Business Association several years ago. This change was made so that we could represent a larger number of businesses in the Minden area, not just the village of Minden.

Approximately 45 of our members advertised in the Times issue of June 28th and some have taken offence to an editorial that presents us as usurpers of Minden 'news'. I would hope that our community newspaper would be interested in presenting all interesting events in our area and that is the paper's responsibility to give fair coverage to everyone.

Perhaps in the future, Mr. Weese could relay his opinions directly to the organizations that he has concerns about. This would prevent misinterpretation and upset subscribers.

Dave Willis
Minden

It was newspaper's duty to cover the BIA

To the Editor:

Re: June 28 Editorial

As the head of the BIA clean up committee it was my duty to see that I got as much coverage from the Times (and all other local media) as I could, in an effort to maximize the turn-outs on our clean-up days.

It was the duty of the Times to decide how much coverage to give. End of story. There was absolutely no need for any editorial comment on the process.

The tone of the comments, from the "community's only real paper" was very shaky journalism, and only served to alienate many of the Minden merchants who are striving, through the BIA, to revitalize the downtown core, and stimulate economic development.

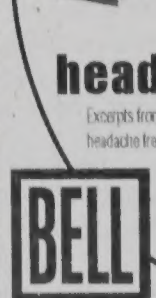
Let the Times forget, it is a small community newspaper, supported to a great degree by the merchants of Minden.

George Farrell
BIA Clean-up Committee

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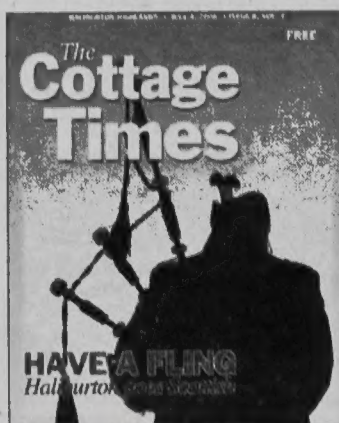
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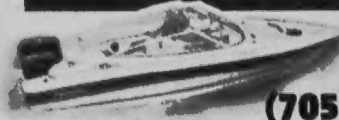


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AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Members of Council, Inhabitants and Ratepayers of The Corporation of the County of Haliburton.

We have audited the Consolidated Statement of Financial Position of the Corporation of the County of Haliburton as at December 31, 2005, and the Consolidated Statements of Financial Activities and Changes in Financial Position for the year then ended. These Financial Statements are the responsibility of the County's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these Financial Statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the Financial Statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the Financial Statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall Financial Statement presentation.

In our opinion, these Consolidated Financial Statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the County of Haliburton as at December 31, 2005, and the results of its operations and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles.

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CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF HALIBURTON

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT DECEMBER 31, 2005

	2005	2004
FINANCIAL ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 2,461,173	\$ 2,895,343
Accounts Receivable	1,218,323	1,183,070
Long Term Debt Recoverable from the Municipality of Dysart - Note 3	332,749	647,265
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 4,012,245	\$ 4,725,678
LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Liabilities	\$ 1,284,363	\$ 1,827,266
Deferred Revenue	160,289	27,523
Total Liabilities	\$ 1,444,652	\$ 1,854,789
Municipal Debt - Note 3	\$ 949,000	\$ 1,846,000
MUNICIPAL POSITION		
Operating Fund	\$ 12,400	\$ 190,196
Capital Fund	0	(459,745)
Reserves	2,222,444	2,493,173
Fund Balances	\$ 2,234,844	\$ 2,223,624
Amounts to be Recovered	(616,251)	(1,198,735)
Municipal Position - Note 4	\$ 1,618,593	\$ 1,024,889
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND MUNICIPAL POSITION	\$ 4,012,245	\$ 4,725,678

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF HALIBURTON

CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF OPERATING FUND OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Budget 2005	Actual 2005	Actual 2004
REVENUES			
Requisition on Area Municipalities	\$ 8,180,111	\$ 8,280,998	\$ 7,519,178
User Charges	376,652	517,701	469,715
Government of Canada Grants	148,737	186,712	14,399
Province of Ontario Grants	5,728,206	5,987,633	4,863,137
Investment Income	60,000	48,742	52,191
Other Income	7,000	113,285	0
Total Revenue	\$ 14,500,706	\$ 15,135,071	\$ 12,918,620
EXPENDITURES			
General Government	\$ 1,714,554	\$ 1,731,229	\$ 1,656,030
Protection to Persons and Property	536,306	592,886	531,813
Transportation Services	2,940,379	2,984,567	3,238,254
Health Services	2,693,484	3,020,270	2,778,358
Social and Family Services	1,901,048	1,950,371	1,814,852
Social Housing	684,844	720,672	632,967
Recreation and Cultural Services	432,853	466,682	486,217
Planning and Development	1,186,509	528,803	287,795
Total Expenditures	\$ 12,089,977	\$ 11,995,480	\$ 11,426,286
Net Revenue for the year	\$ 2,410,729	\$ 3,139,591	\$ 1,492,334
FINANCING AND TRANSFERS			
Repayment of Long Term Debt	\$ (582,484)	\$ (582,482)	\$ (551,963)
Transfers from (to) Reserves	(426,706)	(124,409)	(814,598)
Transfers to Capital Fund	(1,591,735)	(2,610,496)	(1,977,183)
Net Financing and Transfers	\$ (2,600,925)	\$ (3,317,387)	\$ (3,343,744)
Change in Fund Balance	\$ (190,196)	\$ (177,796)	\$ (1,851,410)
Fund Balance, beginning of year	190,196	190,196	2,041,606
Fund Balance, end of year	\$ 0	\$ 12,400	\$ 190,196

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

CORPORATION OF THE COUNTY OF HALIBURTON

CONSOLIDATED SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL FUND OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2005

	Budget 2005	Actual 2005	Actual 2004
REVENUE			
Government of Canada Grants	\$ 333,333	\$ 166,416	\$ 23,088
Province of Ontario Grants	333,333	183,531	23,088
Other	0	0	73,816
Total Revenue	\$ 666,666	\$ 349,947	\$ 119,992
EXPENDITURES			
General Government	\$ 22,200	\$ 25,478	\$ 35,082
Protection Services	86,154	100,444	268,970
Transportation Services	1,788,264	1,963,677	2,432,160
Health Services	101,735	422,558	146,039
Social Housing	0	0	12,927
Recreation and Cultural Services	5,000	5,650	6,065
Planning and Development	387,038	381,572	32,372
Total Expenditures	\$ 2,390,391	\$ 2,899,379	\$ 2,933,615
Net Expenditures for the year	\$ (1,723,725)	\$ (2,549,432)	\$ (2,813,623)
TRANSFERS			
Transfers from Operating Fund	\$ 1,591,735	\$ 2,610,496	\$ 1,977,183
Transfers from Reserves	591,735	398,681	376,695
Net Transfers	\$ 2,183,470	\$ 3,009,177	\$ 2,353,878
Change in Fund Balance	\$ 459,745	\$ 459,745	\$ (459,745)
Fund Balance, beginning of year	(459,745)	(459,745)	0
Fund Balance, end of year	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ (459,745)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Financial Statements.

Copies of the 2005 financial report can be picked up at the County of Haliburton's Administration office at 11 Newcastle St. in Minden.

Council does not deserve to be re-elected

To the Editor:

I wanted to write this letter to editor because this is an election year and I am very concerned at the lack of candidates we have to vote for. I am very nervous that we will all be subject to four more years of the current council and reeve. They have proved themselves as a council that accomplishes nothing.

The town is in worse shape then I have seen in my 20

years of living here. All the wonderful events that took place in this town has either moved or is on its last legs. Our council's solution to bringing in new events is to do nothing. Our council's solution to promoting the town and bringing in new businesses is to do nothing. Our council's solution to a major retailer wanting to set up shop in Minden is to tie them up with red tape.

Our fairgrounds are vacant for most of the summer while in Haliburton their park is booked virtually all

summer long. Again council does nothing.

Most other counties have recreation co-ordinators to help promote activities and events. Minden has nothing. They claim they cannot afford the salary for such an individual but at the same time can offer to pay \$50,000 to run a water pipe across Hwy 35 to the new OPP station. Our reeve claims that he wants to revitalize the downtown with a new BIA. To date we have no BIA, and no executive. As a matter of fact all they have done so far is get the fire department to wash down our streets. It has been quite clear to me that the only agenda council is concerned with is their own.

Please let us not re-elect this council again. Do we really want four more years of inept municipal government? I don't think our town can survive it.

It's an election year. Get out and vote and please for the sake of what's left of this town make your vote count.

Karen Reynolds
Minden



NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING CONCERNING THE DRAFT OFFICIAL PLAN FOR THE CITY OF KAWARTHA LAKES

The City has initiated work on the preparation of a new official plan for the City to replace the County of Victoria Official Plan and the Ops Township Official Plan.

The purpose of the draft official plan is for a new official plan for the City of Kawartha Lakes.

The effect of the draft official plan is to have policies to guide development throughout the City of Kawartha Lakes. Designations and general policies will establish the permitted uses that apply to land throughout the City and policies to guide future development including the division of land. The land use policies in the Town of Lindsay Official Plan, the Fenelon Falls Official Plan and the land within the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan will continue with some general policies in the City Plan that will apply City wide. The Lindsay and Fenelon Falls Official Plans are proposed to be updated in 2007.

The land affected by the proposed draft official plan covers the entire City with the detailed policies within the Town of Lindsay-Official Plan, the Fenelon Falls Official Plan and the land within the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan continuing to exist. A Key Map has not been included because the amendment as described covers the entire City.

Our records indicated that there are no other related applications under the Planning Act related to this application.

Take Notice that the Development and Public Works Services Committee, on behalf of the Council of the City of Kawartha Lakes, will hold a Public Meeting on:

- Friday July 21st at 7:00pm at the Coboconk Community Hall, 9 Grandy Road, Coboconk
- Saturday July 22nd at 10:00am at the Carden Recreation Centre, 258 Dalrymple Road, Sebright
- Thursday July 27th at 7:00pm at the Mariposa Community Hall, 1010 Eldon Road, Oakwood
- Friday July 28th at 7:00pm at the Bobcaygeon Legion, 96 King Street East, Bobcaygeon
- Saturday July 29th at 10:00 am at the Omemee Coronation Hall, Sturgeon Rd. & King St. (Hwy. 7), Omemee

The City will also hold open houses on:

- Monday July 17th from 2:00pm to 4:00pm in the Victoria Room, City Hall, 26 Francis St., Lindsay
- Tuesday July 18th from 7:00pm to 9:00pm in the Victoria Room, City Hall, 26 Francis St., Lindsay

The draft official plan is available as follows:

- On the City Website at: www.city.kawarthalakes.on.ca/CityHall/Dept/DevServices/planning.htm
- For public viewing at all the City Service Centres in Bethany, Bobcaygeon, Coboconk, Kirkfield, Lindsay and Omemee.
- At the Development Services - Planning Division, Lindsay Service Centre, 2nd Floor, 180 Kent St. W., Lindsay
- By picking up a CD at a cost of \$5.00 from the Development Services Dept. The contact information is provided below. It can also be shipped at a total cost of \$10.00.
- By picking up a paper copy at a cost of \$45.00 from the Development Services Dept. The contact information is provided below. It can also be shipped at a total cost of \$50.00.

Additional Information relating to the proposed draft Official Plan being a copy of the draft official plan is available for inspection at the Development Services - Planning Division, Lindsay Service Centre, 2nd Floor, 180 Kent Street West, Lindsay, from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Friday, excluding holidays.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Rob Griffiths, (705) 324-9411 Ext. 246; Toll Free: 1-888-822-2225 Ext. 246; Fax (705) 324-4027; or e-mail at: rgriffiths@city.kawarthalakes.on.ca. Please refer to File: D01-17.

Any Person May Attend the Public Meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed draft Official Plan. At the public meeting presentations that would take longer than five minutes should be presented in written form and summarized verbally. All written submissions received prior to September 8, 2006 or comments or submission made at the Public Meetings will be considered.

If You Wish to Be Notified of the Recommendation and/or the Decision in respect of this matter, you must submit your written request no later than September 8, 2006 to the address provided below. Please provide your name, address and postal code either on the appropriate form at the Public Meeting or by mailing such request to the address provided below.

If a person or public body that files a notice of appeal of a decision in respect of the proposed Official Plan does not make oral submissions at the public meeting or make written submissions to the City before the proposed Official Plan is approved or refused, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss all or part of the appeal.

DATED AT THE CITY OF KAWARTHA LAKES THIS 30TH DAY OF JUNE, 2006.

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A grandmother reflects on the war in Iraq

To the Editor:

In the picture on the right is Petty Officer Gordon Bonspiel serving with the U.S. Navy in Iraq. On the left is his mother, Colleen Bonspiel Hewitt, who was born and grew up here and still calls Minden home. Seated is me, his grandmother, Mabel Hewitt. I have lived in the Minden area a lifetime. Gordon spent much of his growing up years with me and made many friends. Gordon is scheduled to come home in late August. For me, the summer can't go by too fast.

But this is not about Colleen nor me. It's not about whether or not we agree with the war in Iraq, nor about whether our troops should be in Afghanistan. It is about the young Canadian men and women who have volunteered to serve around the world in their fight against terrorism, and their crusade against evil.

And it is about our duty to support our troops with prayers, e-mails, cards, and letters, and by wearing a touch of red on Fridays. These young Canadians are giv-



ing us the freedom to enjoy another beautiful Canadian summer. Yes, and the freedom to complain about the price of gasoline. They risk their lives daily, and ask only for our support.

Mabel Hewitt,
Minden

Gun registry targets the wrong people

To the Editor:

Re: Gun registry letter by Jack Brezina

First, statistics are usually the most misleading pieces of information in the world. For example, stats say suicides by guns are down since the gun registry; suicides themselves are actually up, they just didn't use a gun.

Secondly, 6,500 hits a day is irrelevant. The only people who have registered their guns are law abiding, tax paying citizens.

Thirdly, as for the individuals "barricaded in house senerio", what about the individual who didn't register his gun? The

police in a situation like that would be stupid not to assume the worst until they know the situation. James Roscoe wasn't allowed to own gun's but he still shot four RCMP officers.

Lastly, pistols have had mandatory registration since the 1930s.

Last weekend in Toronto there were eight shootings with pistols. Rex Murphy's editorial on CBC simply stated: Criminals do not and will not register their weapons. So quit wasting our (Liberal) money and put it in medicare.

SM Kellett,
Minden.

NEW FUNDING PROGRAM FOR ADULTS WITH A DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY

As of June 15, 2006, young adults with a developmental disability can apply for a new Ministry of Community and Social Services initiative called **Passport: Funding for Community Participation Supports**. The goal of Passport is to improve the quality of participation in the community for adults with a developmental disability.

If approved for funding, Passport gives individuals the option of receiving funds to purchase community participation supports or they can use the funding to access services through community agencies.

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Minden Hills needs to show more commitment to waste management

To the Editor:

I want to relate to you the following episode which I consider to be unacceptable and a deterrent to our goal of recycling as much waste as we possibly can.

On Saturday July 1, I showed up at the Scotch Line dump to take advantage of the opportunity to get rid of some paint cans and other toxic materials as it was one of the very few times you can do this in Minden Hills.

I understood that we had until noon to drop off these materials. I, as it turned out, arrived at 11:55, just in time I thought.

I was greeted by the person in charge at the entrance to the dump and was asked what I had. I told the individual I had only toxic materials. I was informed that the people taking care of the task of toxic waste disposal had decided to shut down early as they had to go to Dorset for the afternoon.

I then drove up to where the people who were taking care of the toxic waste were; it's now two to three minutes before 12. They refused to take the materials and told me that I could drive to Dorset if I wanted to get rid of the mater-

ial today.

Thus my letter.

I don't understand why I couldn't drop off my toxic waste within the published allotted hours.

I don't find it acceptable to be told I can drive 100 km round trip to Dorset in the process polluting the environment a little more to dump my toxic waste when I arrived prior to the published times for dumping this waste.

I don't understand how the community can expect people to take recycling seriously unless a proper example is set for those who live in Minden Hills.

I don't know why we can't have a bin at one of the dumps to take common toxic materials such as paint, aerosol cans, etc.. When you're dumping normal garbage occasionally you see paint and aerosol cans that were dumped unknowingly.

Last but not least, I live on one of the local lakes and I get very few services for the premium taxes I get to pay.

So my question is: Who is going to deal with this?

Dave Pearce
GTA

Kudos to the cultural centre's programming

To the Editor:

I want to commend the Minden Hills Cultural Centre for their wonderful programming for children, both in the summer and during the year. Their leadership is a critical element in creating the conditions under which local kids can enjoy a fascinating array of affordable learning

and creative opportunities, and local adults can share their many talents and enthusiasms with the younger generation. Thank you for including children in our cultural community life!

Fay Martin, MSW, PhD
Executive Director
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Health Unit gets tough with inspections of farmers' markets

Like other medical officers of health across the province, Dr. Lynn Noseworthy says she is concerned about the recent amendments to the food premises regulation.

Speaking at last week's Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District board meeting, Dr. Noseworthy said the Health Unit still has a duty to protect the health of the public and will continue to inspect and monitor farmers' markets despite the recent announcement from George Smitherman, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, to exempt farmers' market vendors from requirements under the Food Premises Regulation of the Health Protection and Promotion Act.

"This exemption does not mean we don't go out there and inspect," she said. "It just means we have a less sharp legislative tool to deal with what we find."

The Council of Ontario Medical Officers of Health issued a media release across the province in order to express its displeasure with the amendment. Other amendments to the regulation apply to churches, service clubs and fraternal organizations that prepare or serve meals at special events for members or personally invited guests.

If hazardous food is included in the meal, a notice must be posted as to whether or not the premise has been inspected according to the regulation and the operator must keep a list of all persons who donate hazardous food for

the special meal and must provide a copy of that list to a public health inspector on request.

"We know that outbreak of foodborne illness can, and do occur, at community events," Dr. Noseworthy said. "And we also know that farmers' markets sell more than the traditional fruits and veggies. Some vendors have been found selling such things as uninspected meats, unpasteurized apple ciders and ungraded eggs, all of which pose a risk to consumers."

Dr. Noseworthy said the Health Unit has worked hard over the years to develop a good relationship with churches in particular, and more recently has provided food safety training to many volunteers involved in preparing food for church suppers or events.

This exemption has the potential to undermine the work that health units have been doing to protect the health of the population, she said. To help address potential problems, the Health Unit will continue to monitor farmers' markets and special events where hazardous food is sold.

Health Unit staff will provide an in-depth analysis of the potential impact of the proposed amalgamation of the HKPR District Health Unit and the Peterborough County-Health Unit. The analysis is to include a comparison of geography, costing, programming, services provided and staffing.

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Students never fail to amaze themselves and community

by TRISTAN ELLIS
2006 HHSS Valedictorian

The German philosopher Karl Marx once said, "The philosophers have only interpreted the world in various ways. The point, however, is to change it."

Now, after four years of high school, that duty falls upon us.

So here we are, with four years of Hal High come and gone. Regardless of the amount of time we've had together, we have all been an important part of each others' high school careers.

We here at Hal High are a family. Every sports team at Hal High is its own little family, but none of them could exist without all of their loving and supporting fans, namely our community and school. Every member of every team, club, and group formed at Hal High made its own contribution to this school, whether it was representing us at Model United Nations, decorating the walls of our school, or in a deeper spiritual sense with the waiting room. We've had bands that travelled as far as Ottawa to represent us all, and they did it well. The Lunch Buddies enjoyed every minute they had with one another, helping to brighten the school for everyone. The Terry Fox volunteers helped to make that day another extraordinary success. Every single person who contributed to the Tributes showcases or Remembrance Day ceremonies helped show the rest of Haliburton that we care for one another and that the level of talent possessed by the students is above and beyond anything to be expected.

Our dance and prom committees gave us all the opportunity we needed to get glammed up and have the best times of our lives with those we love. The Student

Activity Council had us all organized throughout the year, giving us dozens of spirit days, fun events, free stuff, and much more that not many people even realize. Our co-operative education class was once again a large success, giving the workforce a real taste of what to expect. Our language department is still going strong, and had an expedition to France and Spain. Our humanities department had a trip to Washington DC. Every year our four-credit outdoors students braved the wilderness, learning truly useful hands-on survival skills, and earning a walletful of assorted machinery and outdoors licences afterwards to prove it.

None of any of these things would have been even remotely possible without the staff here at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. You would be hard-pressed to find any teacher that was not some student's biggest teacher influence. These are the people who not only teach us academically, but teach us sports, art, dance, and every lifeskill we will require and have ever required. Also, every one of these people is always there to support a student in a time of need, and every student has those. In short, every single member of this school has paid their dues 10 times over to make every aspect of these past four years as positive and as memorable as possible. I have to say thank you to every single person who has been a part of this shared experience.

We have all of these amazing people putting in every type of contribution possible at Haliburton Highlands Secondary, and you cannot help but wonder, what are we going to do with all of this potential to create a better world? I don't know; no one does. However, I hope we all realize that something will be done by us.

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Amaze the world, Valedictorian Tristan Ellis urges HHSS grads.



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do everything in our power. Our Thirty-Hour Famine increases in popularity every year, raising awareness, food, and money for impoverished nations. The Terry Fox Run is a great event and our school is the largest single participating group in the Highlands. Only a month ago we held the Special Olympics here, with participation from our school being well above par. When the tsunami struck on the other side of the world, on Boxing Day 2005, our school was there, with well over \$7,000 in donations. Not two months later Pakistan was hit by an earthquake, but we had not yet been charitied out and organized a bracelet-selling and donation committee.

Throughout our years our assorted teachers have given us the tools we need. We are the artists, athletes, music makers, historians, teachers, mechanics, physicists, biologists, chemists, lawyers, loggers, conservationists, policemen, militarists, and leaders of our generation. We have taken the guidance offered to us by parents, teachers, and friends, and now all that is left is to perfect ourselves and put what we have learned and what we have yet to learn to work. Some of us are ready to do that and are already almost fully integrated in the work force. Some of us are staying here, at the place we love, for one more year. Some of us are going to university, some of us to college. Some of us are going to see the world first.

Wherever we go, we are ready to do our part to improve the world for everyone. The only question is how. I know that whatever we do, we can't wait, we have to act when the moment is right, and usually that means quickly.

Mahatma Gandhi said "You must be the change you wish to see in the world." You have to believe you can accomplish whatever you want to. I believe in you, your parents believe in you, and every teacher here not only believes you can change the world, but expects it of you.

You all have to find a cause worth fighting for, whether it's abroad or right before you. If it needs to be done, do it. Whatever you feel need to be done, just do it. Can we save the environment? I have little doubt. Can we cure AIDS? I'm sure we can. Can we speak out against the King Gyanendras, Hu Jintaos, and Saddam Husseins of the world? Can we feed the needy at home and in Africa? Can we save the whales, pandas, and cranes? Can we perfect our healthcare system? Can we protect our native

Americans? Can we apologize to every ethnic group in Canada we have marginalized, interned, or exiled? We can, and we must. If not us, then who?

Don't be embarrassed about acting out, it will probably be your only chance to, and the only embarrassing thing would be to miss it. Don't give up once you start, and don't think it's over once you've finished.

Above all, don't forget about love. Look around you right now, look at all the love and respect you have for the people here, and the love that others have for you. Make sure to have that same respect and appreciation even for the people you don't know, and that will help you to help them.

No, changing the world won't be easy, but we at Hal

High never fail to amaze. Regarding the issues plaguing the world today, I doubt that we will fail to amaze again. We have to do it for our friends, and we have to do it for the people in this world we have never met or seen, for the people who do not even know we exist. It is up to all of us in this room to change the world, to change your world and to change the world of everyone around you.

Hal High, I believe that the greatest thing we have ever been given in this world is opportunity. Once you realize this, and once you realize your opportunities, then I'll see you all at the top. You have been given the opportunity, Hal High, amaze them all.

Thank You.

Farewell to graduating class



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Graduating class finishes the year with many fond memories

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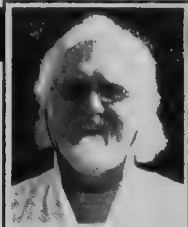
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In a perfect world, county's reserves too low

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

The following are brief notes from the June 28 committee of the whole meeting of Haliburton County council. The items discussed will be voted on at the next meeting of county council on August 9.

Glenn Gordon, a representative from the county's accountant, presented the findings of their 2005 financial audit that ended December 31, 2005.

Not surprisingly, all the finances are in order, but he did say that the county's reserves were lower than ideal and needed to be reviewed, to which Warden Murray Fearrey said he was not surprised.

When asked by the county's CAO Jim Wilson what minimum reserve balances should look like, Gordon said, "in a perfect world, you would have one-year levy."

For Haliburton County, that would mean reserves of \$8 million whereas currently, the county's reserves are approximately \$2 million.

Roads update

Doug Ray, the county's roads operations manager, said that construction jobs were almost complete for the summer and that by the end of the week they would be in full maintenance mode until the fall. However, culvert maintenance work on County Roads 4 and 5 will look like construction and will even result in temporary road closures.

Also, Ray said that the grass cutting equipment should be delivered by July 10 and that his staff can begin cutting some

grass on the shoulders.

911 status report

Roy Haig, the county's engineering services manager, told council that the inspection of the new 911 signs was progressing but that there appeared to be civic address signs that were being vandalized. The county still has approximately 500 roads to inspect.

"People have to understand that they are responsible for the signs," Haig told council. "It's up to them to notify us of any damage. We don't have the budget to re-inspect the condition of each sign."

Haig added that if a sign or post is damaged, it is the property owner who is financially responsible for its replacement. New blades (number signs) cost \$25 and replacing a damaged sign post costs \$35.

CAP Program

Eric Lilius, the manager for the community access program that delivers free internet use at specific sites throughout the county, told council that the CAP funding was expected to end in September of this year.

But, Lilius said that this isn't the first time the program's funding has been threatened. Since its inception in 1998, funding has always been extended.

Fearrey suggested that it might not be a bad idea for the county to prepare a series of alternatives in case the CAP funding is not extended in September.

Lilius was asked to come before county council on August 9 to offer some suggestions as to how the community access program might continue without government funding.

Irondale asphalt plant

Council received two letters from residents in Irondale concerning the application for a permanent asphalt plant. One of the primary concerns of the residents is that County Road 503 could not accommodate the additional usage by heavy trucks.

Council decided that the application for a permanent asphalt plant was provincial jurisdiction, not the county's and that they would not get involved in the private company's application. At CAO Wilson's behest, council did agree to send letters in response to those received stating that, in fact, the road could handle additional traffic because it was once a provincial highway.

W3 Connex update

CAO Wilson updated council on the progress of W3 Connex and the forthcoming broadband connections. Of note, said Wilson, is that W3 Connex will begin laying the fibre optic wire in the second week of July. Municipal and county office buildings are expected to be hooked up to the broadband system by the end of August.

Grant to new doctor

In a move to assist with start up costs of new medical practices, council has decided to give Dr. Mike Armstrong a \$15,000 forgivable grant.

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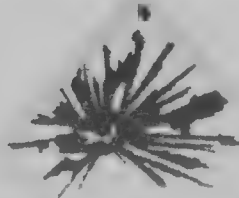
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A brief look into the decorated history of the Halls and Hawk Lake association



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Get out your family records and photo albums and search back through time. It's great fun on one of those rainy or quiet afternoons. As part of the Halls/Hawk Lake Plan, it was decided that a brief history of the association should be included. In researching sections of the report, efforts were made to compile an accurate overview not only of the beginnings of the association on the Hawk Lakes in the 1950s, but the subsequent inclusion of Halls Lake. Various contacts were made from early membership lists and from published association directories but accurate information proved difficult to obtain.

One of the major problems in research is that given the association is approximately a half-century old, very few original members are still on any of the three lakes. Also, very little information of this variety was ever recorded and passed down through the executive. In the end, the document that was produced is more of a social history than an accurate summary of events. It does present a chronology of general information but lacks precision and is likely in error in different places.

This is where the general membership can help! The association would like to compile an accurate profile of its history from the outset including initiatives undertaken, accomplishments, and past executive members. Should you have any information to contribute, please contact Rob Hartry either by phone, snail mail or email at hartry@kingston.com.

The annual general meeting of the Halls / Hawk Property Owners' Association has been set for Sunday, August 6 at 10 a.m. at Camp Kawabi. As most of you are aware, Kawabi had its final summer last year and is now the private compound for the Harris family. We are most grateful to Bruce and Doreen for hosting the meeting. As the camp isn't operating, those wooden benches we were all used to having available just aren't available anymore. The association will attempt to move in as many chairs as it can but we request that all those attending make an effort to bring some portable seating such as a lawn chair. There is a packed agenda this year. Check out the website in mid July for agenda specifics.

The Dark Skies Committee

has declared Saturday, August 19 Dark Skies Night for the area. Our initiative to darken our local skies is catching on as evidenced by the fewer number of lights on the lake. The HHPOA has been featured in several newspaper articles including an article in this year's 2006 Wild Haliburton Environment Book, available free of charge at local convenience stores.

This year's event will start at 7 p.m. at Elvin Johnson Park, Halls Lake, with a community potluck dinner. The admission is a salad or dessert and chair, while leaving your home with the lights off! We are really encouraging kids and grandkids to attend the event, as they will be the ones likely inheriting much of the area. After dinner, the program will feature interactive games for young and old to learn about why it is important to our physical health and well-being to honour dark skies. Also, the presenters will regale young and old about why the wildlife needs dark skies too. You won't want to miss it.

Sherrill Sherwood of Stanhope Library reminds us that story times are on Thursday morning at 10 a.m. through-out July and August.

Come to the Gaia Centre's Cosmic Camp for All Ages on Wednesday, July 19 from 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. This experiential introduction to Earth's story is exciting for every age. You'll be fascinated as you walk through time and 'all the ages' of the universe on the Gaia Centre cosmic labyrinth. Have fun finding your role in the unfolding drama of the universe story. Artists of all ages will make friendly footprints in clay that will become part of the Gaia Centre Path. Leave your mark in clay, a helpful message or signs for others. The leaders of the camp will be Lisa Berry of Homestead Potters and Carol Kilby whose doctoral work is in Creation Spirituality and New Cosmology. Ages 8 and up are welcome. To register or to get information, call 705 754 2427 or email gaiacentre@sympatico.ca. You can also visit the website at www.gaiacentre.org

The following information is worth repeating. How many dog owners consider The Highlands "the country" as opposed to "the city" and thus turn their dogs loose to run wherever they wish? This often results in the animals leaving deposits or havoc on the property of others. In *The Minden Times*, when writing about wild dogs in the Algonquin Highlands area, Mitch O'Grady, a bylaw enforcement officer with Algonquin Highlands, indicated that there is a municipal bylaw for dogs running at large. The owners can be charged with a \$125 fine for a first

offence. The fine can rise to \$5,000 for additional offences that need to be tried in a court of law. Dogs caught running at large without a collar will be taken to the pound in Huntsville.

To submit any item of interest to this regular weekly column, please e-mail bpjohnson@sympatico.ca or call (705) 489-3878. Share what you know about what's happening in Stanhope, what Stanhope residents are up to or how you enjoyed a particular event or gathering.



When Joan (née Farr) Speed was bonny lass of seven, she had this picture taken of her at the top of Highway 35 at Halls Lake. It was August of 1937 and the highway was still a dirt road. She thinks the hill was smoothed out and that the view of Halls Lake has been obscured by trees and or buildings.

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With the clean-up of Minden's downtown core now complete for the summer, the BIA was especially eager to thank the more than 30 students of Archie Stouffer Elementary School for all of their hard work picking up trash and making Minden a little better. To thank the rambunctious youth for their efforts, Jamie Dollo (centre left) presented the child labourers with a generous fruit platter and bottled water donated from Dollo's IGA. George Farrell (centre right) of the Minden BIA also gave the school printed photos of the students hard at work. Ann Lavery (left) of the BIA's clean-up committee and Minden Hills' Reeve Jim McMahon (right) also thanked the students for their efforts.



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Massages will be available at the Dorset Recreation Centre with Jocelyn Smith of Ahimsa, Huntsville, on Monday, July 10 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.. Patrons may reserve half-hour or one-hour appointments by calling 766-9968.

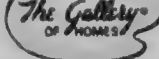
The Dorset Heritage Museum is hosting its 4th Annual Heritage Day and Silent Auction on Saturday, July 15 between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. with lots of great events taking place in and around the museum and Dorset Recreation Centre. Other heritage news: the Dorset Heritage Museum 2007 calendar is now available to purchase and makes a great gift. They are sold in local stores and at the museum for \$10 - a deal again this year!

Let's rally together for John Clayton! There will be a

dance on Saturday, July 15 at 8 p.m. at the Lions Camp Dorset. Tickets are being sold in advance only as this is an expected sell out. Tickets will not be available at the door. Call Donna Keul for tickets at 766-9253. There will also be an auction at the Dorset Fire Hall on Saturday, August 5 at 7 p.m. Donations of articles and services would be greatly

appreciated. For more information on events, to donate auction items or to volunteer, please contact Clint MacKay 766-2249, Steve Woolman 766-9670, Kerry Lock 766-2246 or Barb Townes 766-2108. Financial donations can be made at The Bank of Nova Scotia account 6527 60482285.

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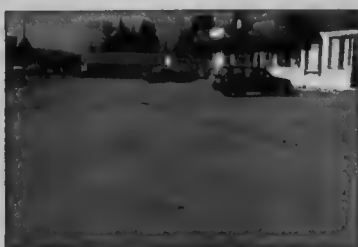
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Mark your calendars for a very special evening for a very special young lady. Friday, July 7 has been declared "Carrie Crego Night" at the Kinmount Community Centre.

Carrie is heading off for the Special Olympics in Brandon, Manitoba from July 18 to 23 with the five pin bowling team. The hot and cold salad supper will give everyone a chance to show their pride and support of Carrie's achievements. A loonie auction with renowned auctioneer Doug Pearson is sure to guarantee a fun-filled event. Dinner will start at 6 p.m. with adult admission \$10, children under 12 years \$5 and pre-schoolers free. Advance tickets are encouraged and available at Kinmount Independent Foodtown, Austin Lumber or by calling 705 488-2635 or 488-2687. Admission can also be paid at the door.

The Kinmount Committee for Planning and Economic Development reminds everyone that on summer Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. bring your family,

neighbours and lawn chairs along to Austin Sawmill Heritage Park for an enjoyable musical experience. This week's easy listening will be provided by Gord Kidd with Ric and Laurie and on Thursday, July 13 The Wrights, a bluegrass, gospel and country music trio, will be featured. Special appreciation is extended to the Kinmount & District Lions Club for its sponsorship of this Music in the Park series.

Galway & Area Ratepayers Association Inc. will hold its next meeting this Saturday, July 8 at the Galway Hall from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Guest speakers will include Reeve Tom Flynn, Warden Neal Cathcart and school trustee Dianne Lloyd. This is a great opportunity to meet with your local government representatives about important issues and services.

This weekend, July 8 and 9, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily be sure to visit Donna Stover at the Kinmount Railway Station for the second in the Summer Weekend Art Shows. Since retiring Donna, a year-round resident on Salmon Lake, has pursued her dream of becoming a watercolour painter. The beauty of the Kawarthas has provided all the needed inspiration for her landscapes. Donna is looking forward to sharing this event with her fellow artists, Kinmount neighbours and visitors 705 488-2010.

Kinmount United Church invites you to its yard sale on Saturday, July 15 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. outside the Railway Station. Lots of treasures and bargains await with good parking, a great farmers' market, art show and model train exhibit all nearby - something for everyone.

The Legion Ladies Auxiliary is once again hosting its annual Hot & Cold Buffet on Saturday, July 15 with lots of great food and desserts to choose from. Strawberries will be offered if available.

Dinner will be served upstairs from 4:30 to 7 p.m. with adult admission \$10, children 5 to 10 years \$4.50

and pre-schoolers free.

Now for the Scoring News with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

June 27 bid euchre at Minden Legion: Albert Foster was first at 298 then Edith Burch 296 and Helen Henderson 269. Moonshots showered down on Marcel Roussel, Helen Henderson, Don Burch, Margaret Fletcher, Sam Gaudet, Vi Howell, Gord Swain and Elli Langpohl while Maria Tschida, Marcy Morgan, Eileen Shepstone and Marcel Roussel held hidden scores.

June 27 contract bridge at Stanhope: The afternoon's only Slam was played by Dorothy Strype and Chuck Wilson. Vange Croucher led the scoring at 5750 followed by Lyndsey Thom 5390, Helen Cassidy 5300 and Betty Schlotter 5240. Frank Schlotter won the lucky draw, Bruce Armstrong the Shiny Penny and Vange the G.A. Award for, like Gene Autry, she was back in the saddle again.

June 28 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: North/South honours went to Ron and Ken Sheppard at 63% with Jacqueline and Kelly Metcalf second at 55%. Over in East/West Fran and Norm Smith were first at 60% then Joan Galley and Norma Crewson with 56%.

June 28 bid euchre at Stanhope: Eight moonshots went to Vicki Campagnolo, Tom Grix, Percy Butler, Maxine Thomson, Pat Scadden, Kevin Maloney, Pearl Cowen and Jean Dutka. Lottie Ruttan topped the pink charts with 283 then Verna Sawyer 282 and Leola Wheeler 281 while Leroy Mowat was first for the whites at 277, Percy Butler 270 next and Chris Clarke 265 third. Gala Stamp reminds this week July 5 the Pot Luck starts at 6 p.m. with cards at 7 o'clock.

June 28 Kinmount Seniors euchre at Kinmount Legion: For the ladies Marcy Morgan was high and Emily Harvie low

with Mike St. Thomas leading the gents and Jim Corbett low man. Thelma Francis won for lone hands and Harold Harvie took home the draw prize.

June 29 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand holders were Helen Skelding and Leroy Mowat with high scores recorded by Laura Carnegie and Bob Pollard. Helen Luffman and Don Burch had the evening's lows with Lois Adamson, John Mallon, Maria Tschida and Marcel Lamothe winning the other prizes.

June 30 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: At 59% Reet Murray and Bill Sandford were first in North/South with Carol McCord and Ross Davies next at 55%. East/West leaders were Chuck Wilson and our bridge correspondent Ross Fletcher at 61% then at 54% Pat Hannah partnered with Stella McMillan.

June 30 bid euchre at Club 35: Moonshot trio members were Pat Scadden, George Bye and Mary Pearson with Jean Dutka holding the hidden score. Jean Scadden led the pinks at 302 followed by Leola Wheeler 247 and Mary Pearson 243. White card winner was John Grimbergen at 370 with Tom Pearson 245 second and Wally Thomson 241 third.

July 3 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: Emily Harvie was first and Rose Isaacson second with Sam Gaudet and Vic Ballik tied for third. Moonshots went to our reporter Theresa Deak, Sam Gaudet, Rose Isaacson and Vic Ballik with Vic also winning the draw.

July 3 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand honours went to Gala Stamp and Mabel Deacon with Pat Millard and Jeanne Keliele recording the high scores. Vicki Tate tallied up the afternoon's low while Jesse Barlow and Gala Stamp were awarded special prizes.

July 3 euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: A good crowd was on hand with Gala Stamp winning for high hands, Bill Van Dyke for lone hands on a four way cut of the cards, Pearl Cowen for low hands and Luverne Stewart for the special prize.

July 3 cribbage at Minden Legion: In first was Syd Adamson, second Helen Luffman and third Pat Scadden. Other prizes went to Helen Luffman, Ann Cundall and our reporter Elva Paisley.

July 3 euchre at Club 35: Ken Stiver won for most lone hands with Leroy Mowat taking the bologna. High score for the ladies went to Blanche [Pickles] Anthony with David Lamb first for the gents. The evening's lows were recorded by Dorothy Walters and Harry Randell while special prizes were awarded to Jean Penick, Lorne Dinesen, Ray Sisson and Verna Sawyer.



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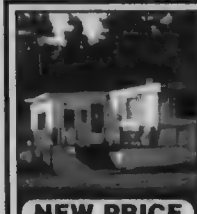
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The sun shines in Minden

June temperatures average, but lower than last year

By Phil Graham

June was a fairly pleasant month even though there was a number of cool days, a few humid hot days and some very windy days. The average temperature was about normal but cooler than last June. Rainfall was about normal but dry compared to last June when we got 168 mm (6.6 inches).
Average High: 24.1°C, 75.3°F;
Average Low: 10.9°C, 51.6°F;
Average for the Month: 17.5°C, 62.5°F;
Average for the Last June: 20.1°C, 68.1°F;

Highest Temperature: June 17: 31.5°C, 88.7°F;
Lowest Temperature: June 10: 5.0°C, 41.0°F;
Rain: 72.8mm, 2.8 inches;
Total Precipitation: 72.8mm, 2.8 inches;
Total Precipitation for last June: 168.4mm, 6.6 inches;
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MINDEN ONTARIO

- **Now until July 30:** Exhibition - New Works by Brian Atyeo and Jack Reid at The Ethel Curry Gallery in Haliburton. 457-9687. Free.
- **Now until Aug. 18:** Meet and Greet faculty and students of Haliburton School of The Arts, Ethel Curry Gallery, Haliburton, Mon., Tues., Wed., 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. Free
- **July 6:** Bridge Classes for beginners with Brenda J. Behan Turnour at Dorset Rec Centre, Thursdays in July from 9 to 11:30 a.m., registration req'd. Call 766-9968.
- **July 6:** Join Community Care's Diners Club at the Minden Legion at 12 noon. If you are a senior, age 55 and up or an adult with a disability, why not join the fun. Diner's Club is a group outing for clients to enjoy a nutritious meal in a social setting at a fixed, prearranged price. Call Myrtle at 754-1711, to register or for more info
- **July 6:** Dorset Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner at the Dorset Rec Centre, 6 p.m. Kids 6 and under free.
- **July 8:** 10th Annual Dorset Kids Fish Derby, kids 12 and under, call 766-9968 for more details
- **July 8:** KLCA meeting at Dorset Rec Centre, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
- **July 8:** Lake of Bays Heritage Foundation Strawberry social and Silent Auction at Dorset Rec Centre from 1 to 3 p.m.
- **July 8:** Enviro Fair - Learn about Alternate Energy, Sustainable Building, kids hands-on Reptile Demonstrations, take a guided Woodlot Tour. Groove with local musicians, Rummage Sale. Stanhope Recreation Centre & Park. 286-5206. Free Admission. Exhibitors ... There is still some booth space available. Contact Nicole Tuyten at 286-5206, nicole.tuyten@mnr.gov.on.ca or Heather Ross at info@environ-menthaliburton.ca
- **July 8:** Haliburton Highland Games - Head Lake Park, Haliburton. Massed band parade at 11 a.m. Come and enjoy the Highland Dancing Competition, Border Collie Demonstrations. The "Heavies", all day children's program run by YMCA Camp Wanakita, Pipe Band Demonstrations. Food vendors and concessions. For further info, please contact Jim Frost at 457-4031.
- **July 8:** Moore Lake Property Owners' Assoc. AGM at the Noble Motel, Hwy. 35 Moore Falls. Coffee & Registration 9:30 - 10 a.m. Meetings starts at 10 a.m. Guest speakers: Sheila Ziman, Haliburton Highlands Land Trusts; Peter Lillico, Succession Planning. Keeping the cottage, how to ensure it stays in the family. Please bring a lawn chair.
- **July 9:** Free Gardening Seminars 10 a.m. every Sat. until July 30. The Healing Garden. Part V - Making gifts from your garden. Ideas for making wonderful gifts for the Holidays and Birthdays. 1765 Essonville Line, Wilberforce at Nature Girl Nursery. Follow Hwy 118 East from Haliburton to Essonville Line. No registration required.
- **July 9:** The Kawartha Marine Modellers will be holding our second annual "Funfloat" for radio controlled ship models on Sunday, July 9 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Riverview Park in Bobcaygeon (off Mill St. by the ESSO Station). For more information call Dan at (705) 738-1335 or Tony at (705) 328-0526.
- **July 10:** Join Community Cares Diners Club at the Cookhouse in Haliburton Forest at 11:30 a.m. If you are a senior, age 55 and up or an adult with a disability, why not join the fun. Diner's Club is a Group outing for clients to enjoy a nutritious meal in a social setting at a fixed prearranged price. Call Jackie at 754-1323, to register or for more info.
- **Don't forget that Community Care** offers Contract Bridge every Monday afternoon, Bid Euchre every Thursday afternoon and Cribbage every Friday afternoon. All card games begin at 1 o'clock. Please call Ida at 457-2941 for more information.
- **Haliburton Village Heritage Walks:** Join the staff of the Haliburton Highlands Museum on heritage tours of old Haliburton Village. We meet every second Wednesday, 9 a.m. at the public dock. July 5, 19 and Aug. 2, 16. Info 457-2760.
- **Every day a new picture of Haliburton County**, and sometimes beyond. Just visit www.jackphotographs.blogspot.com. A great reminder of why we all love living right here.
- **Ontario Early Years Centres Summer hours** - We will be open the month of July, Tues.-Thurs. from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Join us for fun and learning with your child. We will be closed for the month of August. Minden 286-1770, Haliburton 457-2989.
- **Every Wednesday:** Family Services of Haliburton County is offering information and training sessions from 1-2 p.m. for Volunteers and Respite Workers. Do you enjoy baking, sports, arts or fishing? Would you consider sharing your talents with a child or youth in your community? Call Vicki at Family Services 457-5345 and find out how you can become a respite worker or Kid Kompanion.
- **Haliburton Area Motorcycle Social (H.A.M.S.)** Meet other motorcyclists at the Federal Dock, Head Lake in Haliburton every Thursday at 6:15 p.m. until the end of September. Ride leaves at 6:30 p.m. Everyone welcome. Contact Dale McCrea at 448-1023.
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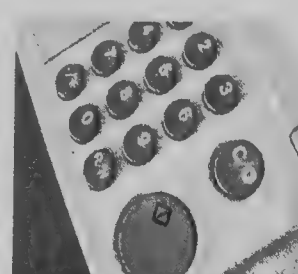
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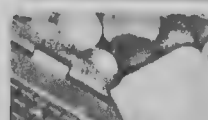
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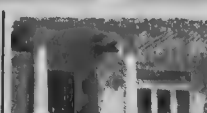
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Coming Events A940

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To assist the HHOA Administrator with general office duties, maintenance and operation of the Haliburton Highlands Resource Centre, development of interactive design, as well as provide support to a number of program chairs in a variety of tasks.

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- Experience working in an office is an asset.
- Database management experience an asset.
- Experience working with volunteers

Foundations Coordinator:

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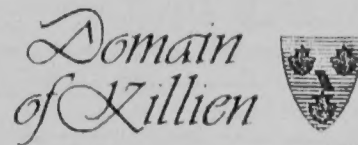
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The Township of Algonquin Highlands Requires a Clerical Support Person (Temporary Position - 1 Year)

The Township is seeking a strongly motivated, well organized, detail oriented individual to assist the Chief Building Official with the township's Septic Re-Inspection Program. The selected individual will be required to create a Property File System, maintain the Access Data Base, correspond with property owners, written and verbally, and cross reference/file existing documents and data.

Qualifications and Experience:

1. Possess a Secondary School or Post Secondary Diploma.
2. Possess above average computer skills, specifically Microsoft Access, Excel, Word and Outlook.
3. Possess a valid Ontario Driver's License.
4. Have excellent written and verbal communications skills.
5. Have excellent administrative organizational and record keeping skills
6. Have a minimum of two years experience in an office setting. Municipal experience would be an asset.

The normal workweek is 35 hours and remuneration will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Applicants are invited to submit a resume with references no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, July 21st, 2006 to:

Don Kidd, M.A.A.T.O., C.B.C.O.
Chief Building Official/By-Law Officer
Township of Algonquin Highlands
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Minden, ON K0M 2K0
Phone: (705) 489-2379
Fax: (705) 489-3491
Email: dkidd@county.haliburton.on.ca

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Saturday July 8
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Open Sunday

Yard and Bake Sale
at
Zion United Church
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Sat., July 15, 2006
Open from
9 a.m. to noon.



PERSONALS

Personals

A990

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GARAGE SALES

Garage Sales

G100

Garage Sale - on July 8 & 9, 8am-4pm. 5 McKay St. Minden. Various items and tools. Also furniture and antiques.

Saturday July 8, at 9 am. 1566 Hospitality Road off South Lake Rd. Many items: books, ceiling fans, linen, towels, some tools, deep freezer, franklin stove, cook stove, sofa, chairs, outdoor table. **Great Prices!!!**

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Pick up your Summer Guide at locations around the county



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Announcements

Thank You Cards

Thanks. I would like to thank the ambulance and emergency response teams that responded to my accident on June 19th south of Kinmount on County Road 121. Many thanks to Ed Dudman who kept me company in car. Special thanks to Doug Frost who came immediately to my aid and made many phone calls on my behalf. Also special thanks to Sandy Cole who kept my wife informed and all the concern you have shown both me and my family. Big thanks to all my comrades, customers, family and friends who have phoned and sent get well wishes. Each and every one is greatly appreciated. Hopefully it will not be long before you see me back on the route. I am on the road to recovery and hope to see you all soon.

Bill Houghton.

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Deaths

CARTER, Wanda (nee Stephenson)- Passed away suddenly at home in Minden on Wednesday, June 21 2006 in her 84th year. Beloved wife of the late Ira, dear sister of Margaret and her husband Robert Bowers and predeceased by her brothers Stan Stephenson and Robert Stephenson. Fondly remembered by her many nieces, nephews, family and friends. Friends were invited to visit the family at the **Gordon A Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main St., Minden (1-888-588-5777) (www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com) on Wednesday, June 28, 2006 from 1:00 p.m. until the time of the Funeral Service in the chapel at 2:00 p.m.. Interment Minden Cemetery. Memorial donations to the Minden Hospital Building Fund or to the Canadian Diabetes Association would be appreciated by the family.

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Retirements



Congratulations to Bonnie Berry

on your retirement from teaching at Archie Stouffer. We can't wait to play with you!

Love from; your grandkids Cole, Jennifer & Broden

Deaths

MORRISON, Muriel - (Resident of Extendicare-Haliburton) - Peacefully At Extendicare-Haliburton on Monday June 26, 2006 in her 95th year. Beloved wife of the late Owen "Boney" Morrison. Loving mother of Laverne "Spark" (Doris) of Little Britain and Lyn Boone of Haliburton. Lovingly remembered by her grandchildren Douglas (Janine), Darryl, Suzanne (Jeffrey Smith) and Amy (Bruce Hollands) and her great grandchildren Christopher, Kyle, Deanna, Alexis, Danielle, Keegan, Kaleb & Hayley. Predeceased by her sister Edith and her brother Joe Day. Also lovingly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Friends may call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Friday morning, June 30, 2006 from 10 o'clock until time of Funeral Service in the Chapel at 11 o'clock. Interment Evergreen Cemetery, Haliburton. As expressions of sympathy donations to Proud Pioneers at Extendicare would be appreciated by the family. www.communityfuneralhomes.com

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Obituaries

ACTON, Donald Beach - Feb. 13, 1922 - June 26, 2006. Suddenly and peacefully at Sunnybrook Veterans Hospital, Toronto. Don is survived by his loving wife of over 60 years, Marian Eleanor Acton (nee Thompson of Aurora, Ontario) and father of Brenda Storr (Michael), David (Marilyn), Bill (Susan Loube) and grandfather of Cathy, Wendy, Sharon, Karen, Trevor and Sam. Great-grandfather of Holly Michelle and Carter Donald Campbell. Predeceased by sister Eileen (Sweet), he leaves his sister Evelyn (Jack MacDonald) and brother Robert (Margaret) as well as many nieces and nephews. Born and raised in Ottawa, Don served as a lieutenant in the Canadian Army Corps from 1943-45, and graduated from Queen's University in 1947. He worked at Beach Foundry in Ottawa, Steelcase Furniture in Don Mills and was the owner of private enterprise, King Smallwares. As an alumnus of the Youth Group of St. James United Church in Ottawa, Don devoted a large part of his life to the service of others. He was an active member of St. James United Church in Ottawa, Birchmount United Church in Agincourt, Lemonville United Church and Zion United Church in Carnarvon. He was also a dedicated member of the Lions Clubs in Minden and Stouffville and a charter member of the Ballantrae Lions Club. As a cancer survivor of 1959, and an active community member everywhere he lived, he has left a legacy of perseverance in the face of adversity and service to others in each community in which he lived in the 84 years God gave him. A passionate builder, fixer and gardener Don touch the lives of many, including the campers and staff at Camp Big Canoe and Camp Kirk. Memories abound from the cottage on Boshkong Lake he built and fostered as a gathering place for family and friends. In the past year and a half he met the challenges of A.L.S. with a sense of humour, courage, and dignity. He leaves behind a legacy of a demonstrated ability to meet adversity with courage and gives credence to the adages of "live life to the fullest", and "give, and it will be given back". He will be missed. Funeral Service was held at the **O'Neill Funeral Home**, 6324 Main Street, Stouffville (905-642-2855) on Friday June 30th at 11 am. If desired, donations may be made to the ALS Society.

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At Rest
Jeanne Christine Rampley
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Survived by her daughters Gail and her husband Grant Mackey and their children Kristin and Steven, Sherri and her husband Jeff Brattain and their children Alison and Ashley.



Jeanne is also survived by her beloved partner Margot Roberts and by her children DeeJay McFadden and David Parkin and granddaughter Kyla, David Johnson and his wife Katherine and granddaughter Beverly. A Celebration of Jeanne Rampley's Life will be held in the chapel at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., Minden (1-888-588-5777) (www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com) on July 11, 2006 at 3:00 pm., with visitation beginning at 2:00 pm. Cremation has taken place. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the Carolyn McDade Fund for the Earth Charter Project would be appreciated by Jeanne and Marjot. Carolyn McDade music performed by the Outloud Womyn's Voices

Deaths

Card of thanks

We would like to express our thanks to the many friends and family members who supported us during this difficult time in grieving our father. All of your generosity and heartfelt wishes has helped us all tremendously. For everyone who contributed with the arrangements and food preparation for the gathering at Dad's we greatly appreciated all of your hard work. Also a special thank you to the Gordon A. Monk Funeral home for all of their help and support through this process.

Sincerely Darnell, Tracey, Owen, Darren and Amanda.

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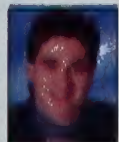


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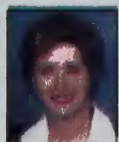


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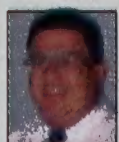


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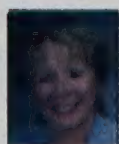


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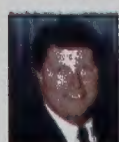


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South Lake: This year round cottage/home is about 2 hours to Toronto & only minutes to Minden. A very large kitchen makes entertaining enjoyable. The three bedrooms are a good size in this 1200 sq. ft. cottage. This lake boasts very good bass fishing. Come see for yourself.
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Vince Duchene**
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Beech River: This home features a sunken living room, screened in sunroom, main floor family room and laundry facilities. The lower level has a billiard room, games room, jacuzzi room and bedroom with a walk-in closet.
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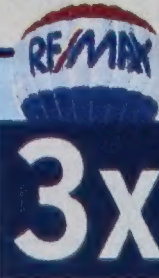
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